## **ABSTRACT**

A floor covering of hard panels (2) having at least on two opposite edges (3-4; 5-6), coupling elements (7) made in one piece with the panels (2), so that several of such panels (2) can be mutually coupled, whereby these coupling elements (7) provide for an interlocking in a direction (R1) perpendicular to the plane of the floor covering (1), as well as in a direction (R2) perpendicular to the edges (3-4; 5-6) and parallel to the plane of the floor covering (1), and whereby these coupling elements (7) are made such that the panels (2) can be rotated into and/or out of one another at least along the above-mentioned edges (3-4; 5-6). The panels (2) are provided, at least on the above-mentioned edges (3-4; 5-6), near the top side, with a part from which has been removed an amount of material such as by a level.

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